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THIS IS A ROUTE RABBITS TAKE.
THIS IS IT.
HERE!
WHEN YOU'RE ALONE SEARCHING FOR FOOD... YOU END UP FIGURING THESE THINGS OUT.
I SEE, IT IS IMPRESSIVE... I'M FROM THE MOUNTAINS, YET I HAD NO CLUE ...
SATORU MANAGED TO FIGURE OUT THE PATH THE RABBITS TAKE
HEY..HEY.. HEY PRETTY AMAZING AIN'T IT GRANDPA!

YOU CAN BARELY FIND ANY ANIMALS
OTHER LANDS WERE IN RUIN, BUT THIS IS ESPECIALLY BAD
BUT... IN ALL THE PLACES I'VE TRAVELLED I'VE NEVER SEEN SO FEW RABBITS AS HERE IN THE MOUNTAINS

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ALRIGH KAZUO-KUN HOW ABOUT WE SET UP THE TRAP
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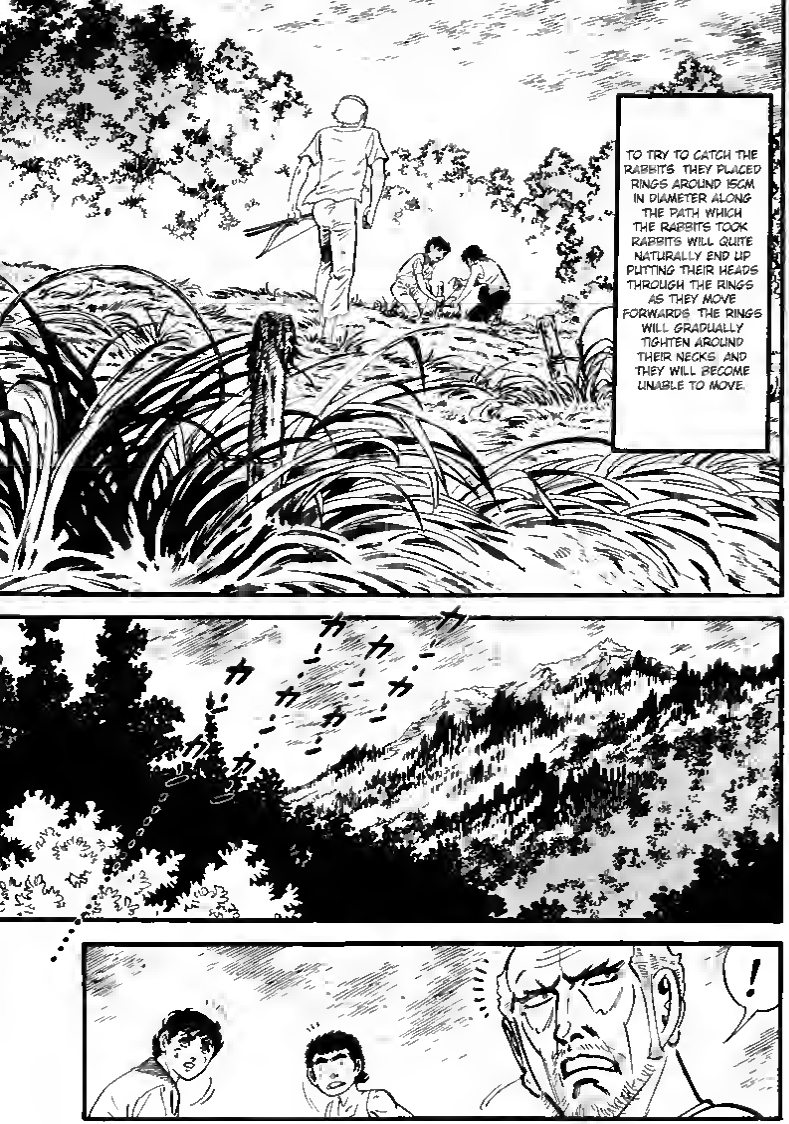
TO TRY TO CATCH THE RABBITS THEY PLACED RINGS AROUND 15CM IN DIAMETER ALONG THE PATH WHICH THE RABBITS TOOK RABBITS WILL QUITE NATURALLY END UP PUTTING THEIR HEADS THROUGH THE RINGS AS THEY MOVE FORWARDS THE RINGS WILL GRADUALLY TIGHTEN AROUND THEIR NECKS AND THEY WILL BECOME UNABLE TO MOVE.
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RECENTLY IT'S JUST BEEN SERMONS FROM KANNUSHI ON HOW THE HARVEST HAS BEEN LOW AND HOW WE SHOULD WORK HARDER
LET'S IGNORE IT!
THAT'S SATSUKI-SAMA'S "SUMMONS"
IT'S NOT AS THOUGH SATSUKI-SAMA'S "REVELATIONS" HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN FROM HER RECENTLY ANYWAY! IT'S ALWAYS FROM THAT KANNUSHI!
IF SO WE SHOULD GO AND LISTEN!
BUT, WHAT IF IT'S REALLY A "REVELATION" THIS TIME
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UNLESS IT'S DIRECTLY FROM SATSUKI-SAMA'S MOUTH, I WON'T LISTEN!
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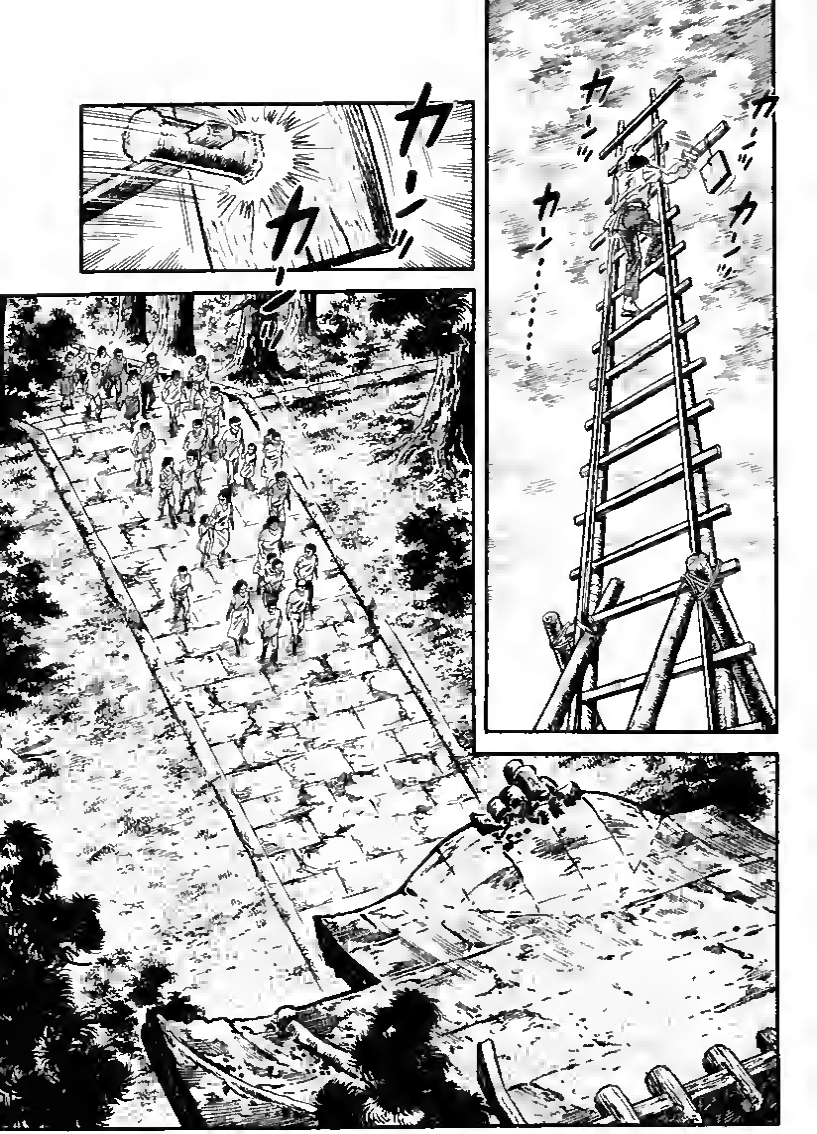
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IT'S FINE SO LONG AS THE VILLAGES HEAR THE "REVELATION"!
IT DOESN'T MATTER...
KANNUSHI-SAN... I CAN'T SEE THAT VAGABOND KAZUO OR HIS GRANDAD ANYWHERE...
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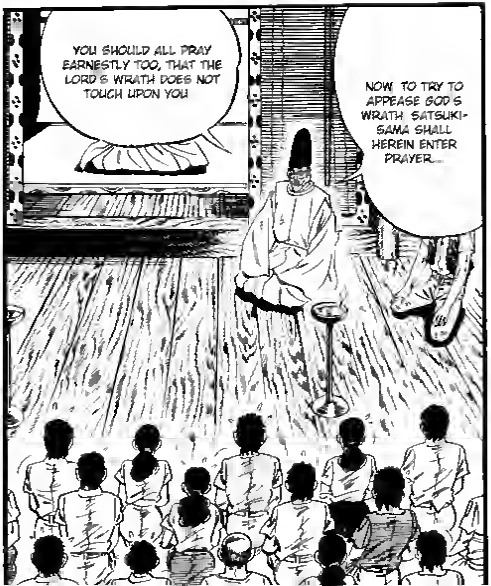
THEM NOT BEING HERE TO HEAR IT LEADS TO THE IDEA THEY'RE TRAITORS...
IN FACT THEM NOT BEING HERE IS FAVOUR-ABLE...
HEHE-HE...
HEHEHE! I GET IT! IT'S JUST AS YOU SAY!
TAKE CARE TO LISTEN!
PLEASE BE QUIET! FROM HEREON SHALL BE SATSUKI-SAMA'S "REVELATION"!

NOW, THE "REVE-LATION"!
RIGHT NOW, GOD'S WRATH IS TO FALL UPON THE VILLAGE!
IT SHALL FIRST FALL UPON THE PHILISTINES WHO DREW ROWS AGAINST HIM!

CHATTER, CHATTER...
MURMUR, MURMUR...
MUMBLE, MUMBLE...


YOU SHOULD ALL PRAY EARNESTLY TOO, THAT THE LORD'S WRATH DOES NOT TOUCH UPON YOU
NOW, TO TRY TO APPEASE GOD'S WRATH SATSUKI-SAMA SHALL HEREIN ENTER PRAYER...

AND SO SATSUKI-SAMA... WOULD YOU SECLUDE YOURSELF INSIDE TO PRAY

I THINK EVEN ONE WOULD BE A SUCCESS...
IT MIGHT NOT GO TOO WELL...
I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO TOMORROW! HOW MANY RABBITS DO YOU RECKON WE'LL CATCH?!

AH, JUST A SEC!
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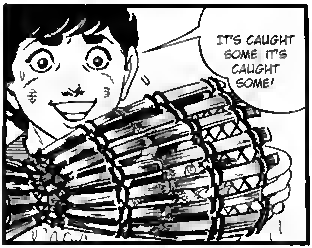
HEHEHE BUT YOU KNOW, WITH YOU WITH US SATORU I FEEL WE COULD CATCH AS MANY AS YOU WANT...
NO WAY...


IT'S CAUGHT SOME IT'S CAUGHT SOME!

BACK THEN I REMEMBERED I'D HAD A FISH TRAP NEARBY!
REMEMBER WHEN WE PASSED UP HERE YESTERDAY TO DRINK SOME WATER?
OH! I DIDN'T EVEN REALISE YOU'D SET THAT UP ?!

ACTING ALL COOL BY YOURSELF!
WAGGAT WAGGAT!
AND I CAUGHT SIGHT OF SOME FISH IN THE RIVER...
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AND SATORU AGREED TO THAT...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT GRANDPA...? DIDN'T SATSUKI-SAMA TEACH US TO ALL SHARE OUR GATHERINGS EQUALLY?
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IT'S HIS, AND HIS ALONE!
THAT CATCH IS SATORU'S
?
EH?

BUT... RIGHT NOW I'M UNDER THE VILLAGE'S CARE. IT'S FINE FOR ME TO DO SO RIGHT...
HE'S FREE TO DO AS HE LIKES...
SATORU IS NOT A VILLAGER. ! HE'S NO NEED TO FOLLOW OUR LAWS...!

I'D LOVE TO SHOW THAT TO THE VILLAGERS!
YOU'RE A FINE PERSON, WHO RELIES UPON HIS OWN STRENGTH AND KNOWLEDGE TO LIVE...!
NO, YOU'RE DIFFERENT SATORU! YOU'RE DIFFERENT TO THE VILLAGER'S WHO'VE LOST THE WILL TO LIVE! YOU'RE NOT A COWARD WHO MERELY RELIES UPON "GOD"!

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THOSE LOT LIVE SAD "LIVES"!

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WE'RE SURELY HEADING FOR DESTRUCTION...!
LIKE THIS, THE VILLAGE WILL SOONER OR LATER BE RUINED... EVERY MOMENT, EVERY DAY ALL I CAN THINK ABOUT IS HOW WITH OUR CURRENT LIVES...

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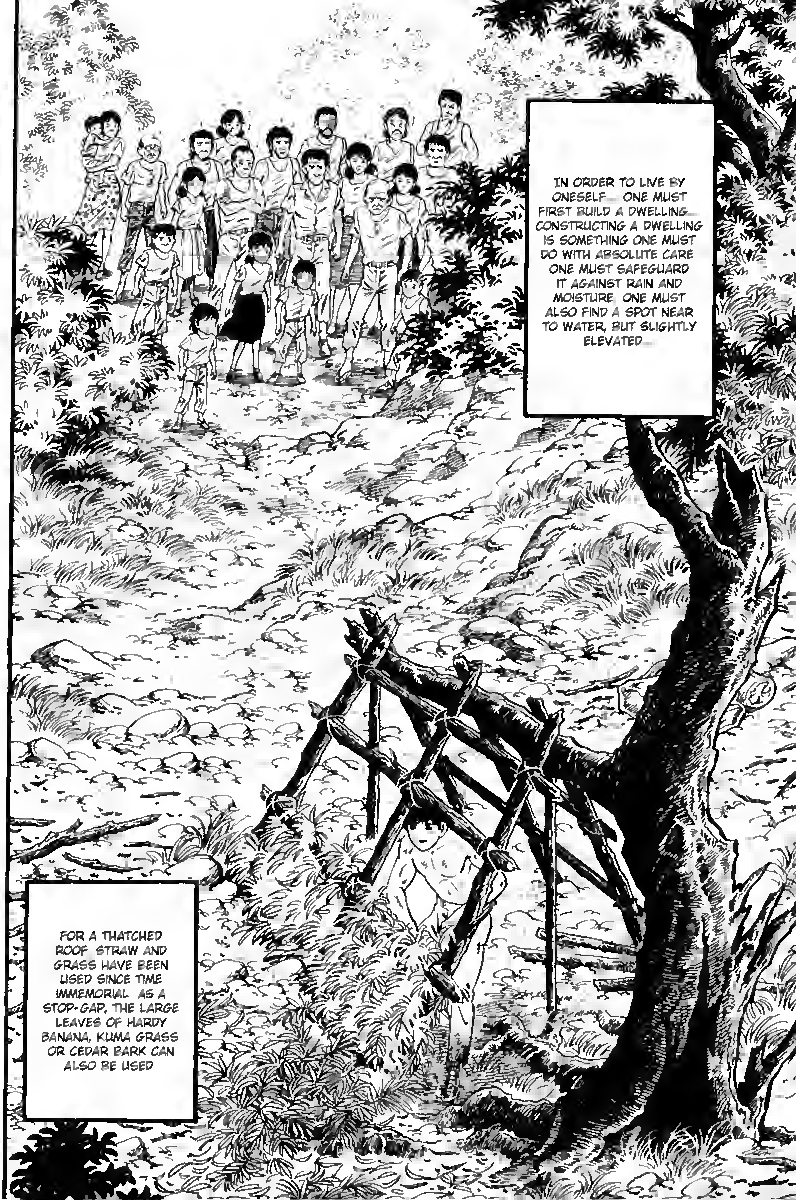
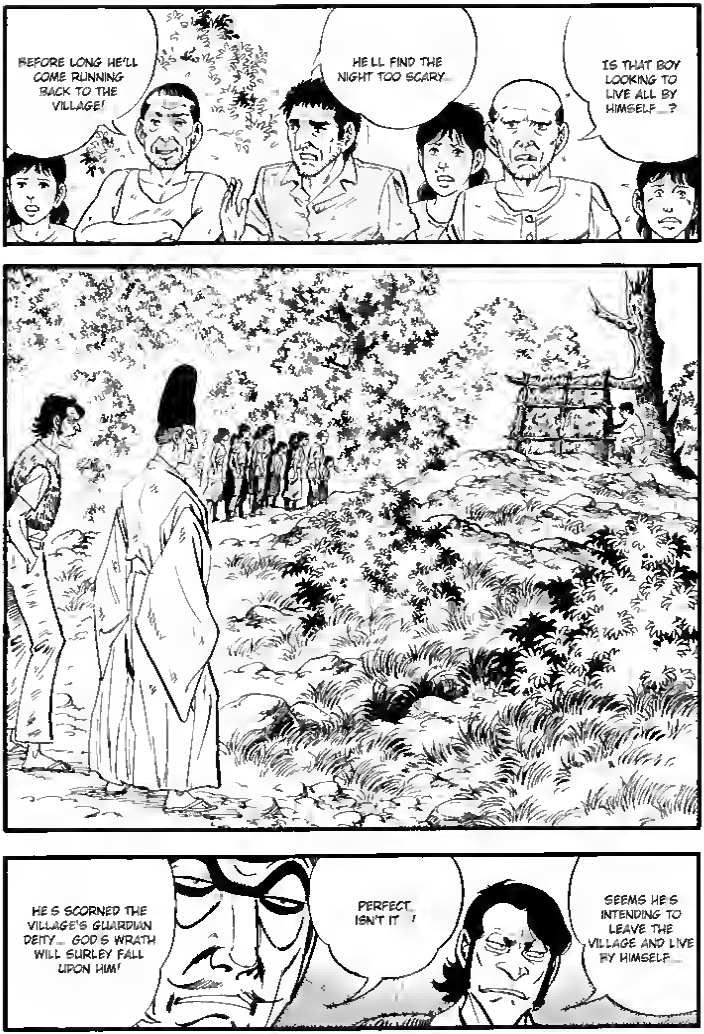
SHOW US THE WAY!
PLEASE SATORU!


IN ORDER TO LIVE BY ONESELF... ONE MUST FIRST BUILD A DWELLING... CONSTRUCTING A DWELLING IS SOMETHING ONE MUST DO WITH ABSOLUTE CARE ONE MUST SAFEGUARD IT AGAINST RAIN AND MOISTURE. ONE MUST ALSO FIND A SPOT NEAR TO WATER, BUT SLIGHTLY ELEVATED...
FOR A THATCHED ROOF STRAW AND GRASS HAVE BEEN USED SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL. AS A STOP-GAP, THE LARGE LEAVES OF HARDY BANANA, KUMA GRASS OR CEDAR BARK CAN ALSO BE USED

TO PREVENT WATER LEAKS THE LEAVES SHOULD BE PILED UP FROM BOTTOM TO TOP...
THE ROOF IS INCLINDED IN REGIONS WITH MUCH SUDDEN RAINFALL... IN REGIONS LIKE THE MEDITERRANEAN WITH LITTLE RAIN, IT IS KEPT EVEN...


BEFORE LONG HE'LL COME RUNNING BACK TO THE VILLAGE!
HE'LL FIND THE NIGHT TOO SCARY...
IS THAT BOY LOOKING TO LIVE ALL BY HIMSELF...?
HE'S SCORNED THE VILLAGE'S GUARDIAN DEITY... GOD'S WRATH WILL SURLEY FALL UPON HIM!
PERFECT, ISN'T IT!
SEEMS HE'S INTENDING TO LEAVE THE VILLAGE AND LIVE BY HIMSELF...